

Recycling Reframed Answer Key

Chart (Sample Responses)

Tone

- Article A: Serious, urgent, persuasive.
- Article B: Playful, creative, encouraging.

Word Choices

- Article A: "Powerful actions," "overflow," "the time to act is now."
- Article B: "Fun," "games," "imagination," "exciting."

Main Message

- Article A: Recycling is necessary to prevent serious environmental problems.
- Article B: Recycling can be enjoyable and creative for families.

Similarities

- Both encourage recycling.
- Both show that recycling helps the planet.

Questions (Sample Answers)

1. Article B would be more convincing for children because it uses fun, playful examples.
2. (Answers vary.) Example: Article A is more effective because it shows the importance of recycling with urgency.

Teacher Notes/Guide

- This activity builds awareness of **tone** as part of compare/contrast analysis.
- Encourage students to use **evidence words** when describing tone.
- The chart gives a clear visual way to organize contrasts while still finding similarities.
- Extension: Have students write a **third mini-article on recycling** with a completely different tone (e.g., humorous, angry, or hopeful).